error, one due to weather, and one due to the presence of a bull on the runway In the 17 accidents mainly attributable to pilot error, maintenance of aircraft was a contributing factor in two cases and weather was a contributing factor in two other cases.

(d) Measures for enhancing the level of air safety are continuously taken, like implementation of the recommendations emanating from investigations of aircraft accidents and hazardous incidents, dissemination of safety information, monitoring of Cockpit Voice Recorders, and Flight Data Recorders, monitoring flight crew proficiency and periodic inspection of aerodromes.

Earnings from Sahibganj to Jahajghat and Sakri to Jahajghat Railway Lines

5562. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of goods transported through the railway line laid between Sahibganj to Jahajghat and between Sakri to Jahajghat in Sahibganj district and the extent of income earned there from during the last three years;

(b) the expenditure incurred in laying the said lines; and

(c) the steps being taken to make those lines more remunerative?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The branch lines from Sahibganj Jn. and Sakrigali Jn. to Sakrigalighat popularly known as Jahajghat has been closed for over ten years and there has been no goods traffic and the earnings therefrom on this line.

(b) The expenditure incurred on laying these lines is not available, as they were laid more than 50 years ago.

(c) Does not arise.

Transportation of Grit in Bihar

5563. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the length of rail line laid to transport grit of black stones in Pakud, Bakudih, Maharajganj of Bihar and Rampur Hat and Murarai areas of West Bengal, the date on which this line become operational and the quantity of grit transported so far;

(b) the year-wise amount of freight received by the Government thereon;

(c) whether it is proposed to lay another rail line in the area in near future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[*Translation*]

Overbridge at Maksi

5564. SHRI PHOOL CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is heavy rush of traffic on a railway crossing at Maksi (Madhya Pradesh) on Agra-Bombay road;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to construct an overbridge on the railway crossing there;

(c) if so, by what time; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. The work has already been included in the Railways' Works Programme.

(c) No time schedule has so far been drawn up for construction of the overbridge.

(d) The work is in planning stage and can be taken up for execution, only after the detailed plans and estimate are finalised, jointly with the State Government/Ministry of Surface Transport.

Air Service in Uttar Pradesh

5565. DR. LAL BAHADUR RAWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the places in Uttar Pradesh presently connected by the air services;

(b) the names of the places for which air services are proposed to be introduced during the current year and the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Agra, Varanasi, Kanpur, Allahabad, Lucknow, Gorakhpur and Dehradun in Uttar Pradesh are presently connected by air services.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Operational capacity with airlines and traffic demand do not justify Airlinking of new stations in Uttar Pradesh at the present moment.

Closure of LPG Agencies in Uttar Pradesh

5566. DR. LAL BAHADUR RAWAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the district-wise details of the LPG agencies closed down during 1990-91 in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) and (b). During 1990-91 one distributorship in Saharanpur district and another in Lucknow district were terminated on account of violation of Marketing Discipline Guidelines.

[*English*]

Transportation of Betel Baskets at Macheda Station

5567. SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the details of steps proposed to be taken for the improvement of betel baskets transportation at Macheda station, South Eastern Railway?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): Betel leaves being perishable traffic gets priority for clearance by Mail/Express trains. As a result of intensive drive to clear betel baskets by Mail/Express trains 46,694 qtls. were loaded during April to July '91 as against 41,480 qtls. during April to July' 90. Various other steps have been taken including attaching of additional parcel vans by trains running through Macheda station.

Night Flying Facilities in I.G.R.U.A

5568. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Academy (IGRUA) is imparting training in night flying;

(b) if so, the details thereof;